

### AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A process for the preparation of condensed resins in powder form, wherein the condensation of at least one crosslinkable starting material which is liquid or dissolved in a liquid phase with at least one aldehyde is carried out in a spray reactor.
2. (Original) The process according to claim 1, wherein the condensation is carried out at from 20 to 150°C.
3. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~claims 1 and 2~~ claim 1, wherein the starting materials are introduced into the reactor by at least one nozzle having a diameter of from 1 µm to 10 mm.
4. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~one or more of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein the condensation is carried out in individual drops.
5. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~one or more of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, wherein the condensation is carried out in the presence of a dry accompanying gas.
6. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~one or more of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, wherein the condensation is carried out at from 0.001 to 20 bar.
7. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~one or more of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, wherein the condensation is carried out at from 2 to 5 mbar.
8. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~one or more of claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, wherein condensates having a mean particle diameter of from 10 µm to 1 mm are prepared.

9. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~one or more of claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, wherein condensates having a mean particle diameter of from 50  $\mu\text{m}$  to 300  $\mu\text{m}$  are prepared.
10. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~one or more of claims 1 to 9~~ claim 1, wherein the starting materials, which may be present in a solvent, are mixed prior to spraying and are kept at from -40 to +30°C.
11. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~one or more of claims 1 to 10~~ claim 1, wherein the starting material used is melamine, urea, or a mixture thereof.
12. (Currently Amended) The process according to ~~one or more of claims 1 to 11~~ claim 1, wherein the aldehyde used is formaldehyde.
13. (Currently Amended) A condensate obtainable by the process according to ~~any of claims 1 to 12~~ claim 1.
14. (Currently Amended) A condensate obtainable by the process according to ~~any of claims 1 to 12~~ claim 1, which has a moisture content of from 0.5 to 3%
15. (New) The process according to claim 2, wherein the starting materials are introduced into the reactor by at least one nozzle having a diameter of from 1  $\mu\text{m}$  to 10 mm.
16. (New) The process according to claim 2, wherein the condensation is carried out in individual drops.
17. (New) The process according to claim 3, wherein the condensation is carried out in individual drops.
18. (New) The process according to claim 2, wherein the condensation is carried out in the presence of a dry accompanying gas.

19. (New) The process according to claim 3, wherein the condensation is carried out in the presence of a dry accompanying gas.

20. (New) The process according to claim 4, wherein the condensation is carried out in the presence of a dry accompanying gas.